## House Resolution No. 3880

Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are called upon to honor remarkable Show-Me State couples who have experienced the good fortune of success in marriage, a most delightful task which this legislative body embraces with great enthusiasm; and

Whereas, the union of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Spence, residents of Nixa, Missouri, is characterized by their enduring affection and serves as a glorious illustration of a prosperous marriage; and

**Whereas**, Kenneth and Virginia Spence commemorated the joyous occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with an open house hosted by their loved ones on June 25, 2005; and

Whereas, as they proudly marked this splendid milestone in their life, Kenneth and Virginia Spence undoubtedly looked back with satisfaction upon all that has transpired since they pledged their eternal love to one another and began their long, joyful walk down life's path; and

**Whereas**, it was five wondrous decades ago that Kenneth and Virginia Spence joined their hands, their hearts, and their lives together in a solemn nuptial ceremony officiated by the Reverend Joe Porter on June 24, 1955, at the Spring Valley Baptist Church in Raytown; and

Whereas, over the course of the past half century, Kenneth and Virginia Spence have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Carrol Vaught of Nixa, Kent and Denise Spence of Kimberling City, and Bruce and Judi Spence of Tulsa, Oklahoma; ten grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Kenneth and Virginia Spence have distinguished themselves as a remarkable couple, whose fifty years of shared joy and contentment so beautifully illustrate the strength, grace, and splendor of the lasting marriage bond:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Kenneth and Virginia Spence upon the joyous occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary and in further wishing them continued happiness in the years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Spence.

| Offered b                 | Representative Will Kraus  |
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|                           | District No. 48  |
| Ninety-th<br>certify that | ton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, ird General Assembly, First Regular Session, do at the above is a true and correct copy of House in No. 3880, adopted June 28, 2005. |
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| Rod Jetto                 | n, Speaker   |